

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently amended) The ~~resin~~ composition according to claim ~~11~~ 14, wherein the weight ratio of the partially hydrolyzed polyvinyl alcohol having an average polymerization degree of 300 to 500, and the polymerizable vinyl monomer methyl methacrylate and acrylic acid in the copolymerization copolymer is 60 to 90: 7 to 38: 0.5 to 12, and the polymerizable vinyl monomer comprises acrylic acid and methyl methacrylate.

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Currently amended) A composition for coating agent ~~for~~ medicines, animal drugs, agricultural chemicals, fertilizers or foods, comprising:

a copolymer of a partially hydrolyzed polyvinyl alcohol having an average polymerization degree of 300 to 500 and a polymerizable vinyl monomer in a weight ratio of 6:4 to 9:1,

wherein the polymerizable vinyl monomer comprises acrylic acid and methyl methacrylate combined in a weight ratio of 3:7 to 0.5:9.5 in the copolymer, and

a suitable carrier~~the resin composition according to claim 1.~~

15. (Currently amended) A medicine, an animal drug, an agricultural chemical, a fertilizer or a food, which is coated with the coating composition ~~agent~~ according to claim 14.

16. (Currently amended) A binder for a medicine, an animal drug, an agricultural chemical, a fertilizer or a food, comprising:

a copolymer of a partially hydrolyzed polyvinyl alcohol having an average polymerization degree of 300 to 500 and a polymerizable vinyl monomer in a weight ratio of 6:4 to 9:1,

wherein the polymerizable vinyl monomer comprises acrylic acid and methyl methacrylate combined in a weight ratio of 3:7 to 0.5:9.5 in the copolymer, and

a suitable carrier~~the resin composition according to claim 1.~~

17-20. (Cancelled)

21. (New) The composition according to claim 14, wherein it is for coating medicines.

22. (New) The composition according to claim 14, wherein the partially hydrolyzed polyvinyl alcohol has a hydrolization degree of 60 to 100 mole%.

23. (New) A process of coating medicines, animal drugs, agricultural chemicals, fertilizers or foods, which comprises applying an aqueous solution of the composition according to claim 14 to the medicines, animal drugs, agricultural chemicals, fertilizers or foods.

24. (New) The process according to claim 23, wherein the aqueous solution of the composition is applied by spraying.

25. (New) The process according to claim 23, wherein the aqueous solution of the composition is applied to medicines by spraying.

26. (New) A process of coating tablets of medicines, animal drugs, agricultural chemicals, fertilizers or foods, which comprises spraying an aqueous solution of the composition according to claim 14 onto the tablets.

27. (New) A process of binding a medicine, animal drug, agricultural chemical, fertilizer or food, which comprises applying an aqueous solution of the composition according to claim 16 to the medicine, animal drug, agricultural chemical, fertilizer or food.